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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

November 2, 2000

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Group:

OFMAREXaminer: R. Swartz

Sir:

In reply to the Restriction Requirement dated October 2, 2000, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

REMARKS

Claims 1-26 are pending in the present application.

The Examiner has required election in the present application between:

Group I, claims 1-9, drawn to polypeptides;

Group II, claims 10-13, 22 and 23, drawn to methods of isolating polypeptides;

Group III, claims 14-17, drawn to DNA;